UNITED
NATIONS

A

General Assembly

Distr.
LIMITED

A/52/L.71
17 December 1997

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

Fifty-second session
Agenda item 60

STRENGTHENING OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM

Canada: draft decision

Non-governmental organizations

The General Assembly, recalling the relevant provisions of the Charter of the United Nations, in particular its Article 71 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 of 25 July 1996 and decision 1996/297 of 25 July 1996, as well as the interpretative statement read by the Council President upon adoption of the latter decision, requests the Secretary-General to prepare and circulate no later than the end of its current session, for consideration and action by the General Assembly at its fifty-third session, a report on:

(a) Existing arrangements and practices for the interaction of non-governmental organizations in all activities of the United Nations system;

(b) The legal and financial implications of modifications in the current arrangements for participation of non-governmental organizations with a view to enhancing their participation in all areas of the United Nations system;

(c) The question of the participation of non-governmental organizations from all regions, particularly from the developing countries.

97-37221 (E) 171297